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HOUSE BILL NO. 1016

Introduced by: Representative Belatti and Senator Whiting

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require the provision of health insurance coverage for
2 diagnostic screening for prostate cancer.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That chapter 58-17 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
5 follows:

6 Every policy of health insurance that covers a male and that is delivered, issued for delivery,
7 or renewed in this state, except for policies that provide coverage for specified disease or other
8 limited benefit coverage, shall provide the following coverage for diagnostic screening for
9 prostate cancer:

10 (1) An annual medically recognized diagnostic examination, including a digital rectal
11 examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen test, as
12 follows:

13 (a) For asymptomatic men aged fifty and over;

14 (b) For African-American men aged forty and over; and

15 (c) For men aged forty and over with a family history of prostate cancer; and

1 (2) For males of any age who have a prior history of prostate cancer, medically
2 recognized diagnostic testing upon the recommendation of a physician, including the
3 digital rectal examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen
4 test.

5 Section 2. That chapter 58-18 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
6 follows:

7 Every group health insurance policy that covers a male and that is delivered, issued for
8 delivery, or renewed in this state, except for policies that provide coverage for specified disease
9 or other limited benefit coverage, shall provide the following coverage for diagnostic screening
10 for prostate cancer:

11 (1) An annual medically recognized diagnostic examination, including a digital rectal
12 examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen test, as
13 follows:

- 14 (a) For asymptomatic men aged fifty and over;
- 15 (b) For African-American men aged forty and over; and
- 16 (c) For men aged forty and over with a family history of prostate cancer; and

17 (2) For males of any age who have a prior history of prostate cancer, medically
18 recognized diagnostic testing upon the recommendation of a physician, including the
19 digital rectal examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen
20 test.

21 Section 3. That chapter 58-18B be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read
22 as follows:

23 Every health benefit plan of a small employer carrier that covers a male and that is delivered,
24 issued for delivery, or renewed in this state shall provide the following coverage for diagnostic
25 screening for prostate cancer:

(1) An annual medically recognized diagnostic examination, including a digital rectal examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen test, as follows:

(a) For asymptomatic men aged fifty and over;

(b) For African-American men aged forty and over; and

(c) For men aged forty and over with a family history of prostate cancer; and

(2) For males of any age who have a prior history of prostate cancer, medically recognized diagnostic testing upon the recommendation of a physician, including the digital rectal examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen test.

Section 4. That chapter 58-38 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as follows:

Every service or indemnity-type contract issued by a nonprofit medical or surgical service plan corporation that covers a male and that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state, except for policies that provide coverage for specified disease or other limited benefit coverage, shall provide the following coverage for diagnostic screening for prostate cancer:

(1) An annual medically recognized diagnostic examination, including a digital rectal examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen test, as follows:

(a) For asymptomatic men aged fifty and over;

(b) For African-American men aged forty and over; and

(c) For men aged forty and over with a family history of prostate cancer; and

(2) For males of any age who have a prior history of prostate cancer, medically recognized diagnostic testing upon the recommendation of a physician, including the digital rectal examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen

1 test.

2 Section 5. That chapter 58-40 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
3 follows:

4 Every service or indemnity-type contract issued by a nonprofit hospital service plan or
5 organization that covers a male and that is delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state,
6 except for policies that provide coverage for specified disease or other limited benefit coverage,
7 shall provide the following coverage for diagnostic screening for prostate cancer:

8 (1) An annual medically recognized diagnostic examination, including a digital rectal
9 examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen test, as
10 follows:

11 (a) For asymptomatic men aged fifty and over;

12 (b) For African-American men aged forty and over; and

13 (c) For men aged forty and over with a family history of prostate cancer; and

14 (2) For males of any age who have a prior history of prostate cancer, medically
15 recognized diagnostic testing upon the recommendation of a physician, including the
16 digital rectal examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen
17 test.

18 Section 6. That chapter 58-41 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
19 follows:

20 Every health maintenance contract that covers a male and that is delivered, issued for
21 delivery, or renewed in this state, except for policies that provide coverage for specified disease
22 or other limited benefit coverage, shall provide the following coverage for diagnostic screening
23 for prostate cancer:

24 (1) An annual medically recognized diagnostic examination, including a digital rectal
25 examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen test, as

1 follows:

2 (a) For asymptomatic men aged fifty and over;

3 (b) For African-American men aged forty and over; and

4 (c) For men aged forty and over with a family history of prostate cancer; and

5 (2) For males of any age who have a prior history of prostate cancer, medically
6 recognized diagnostic testing upon the recommendation of a physician, including the
7 digital rectal examination, transrectal ultrasonography, and prostate-specific antigen
8 test.